

Senior Clinician, Vaccine Research Center National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases National Institutes of Health

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) Vaccine Research Center (VRC) conducts research that facilitates the development of effective vaccines for human disease, primarily for HIV, biodefense, and emerging infectious diseases. The VRC Clinical Trials Core (CTC) includes clinicians, public educators, protocol specialists, and data specialists, as well as support staff. The CTC conducts clinical research and development primarily on HIV, emerging diseases, and universal influenza vaccines. The CTC maintains a staff of approximately 25 and initiates three to five clinical trials per year at three NIH clinical sites. The CTC also maintains and oversees contracts and collaborations with external clinical research organizations.

The CTC has a position for a senior clinician, who will serve as the deputy chief of the CTC and assist the chief in managing this large clinical program, with responsibility for substantial resources. The senior clinician will work closely with the CTC chief and with other VRC senior scientists and will directly oversee clinical research strategic planning, clinical trials operations, public outreach and recruitment, and personnel matters for CTC, as well as other responsibilities as assigned by the CTC chief or other VRC senior leadership.

Specific responsibilities include the following:

- Design and implement clinical research for VRC
- Serve as principal investigator for VRC first-in-human and other Phase I and II investigational new drug vaccine trials
- Design, conduct, and analyze data from clinical and translational vaccine immunology research
- Represent VRC with the FDA and other oversight groups
- Chair multiple VRC vaccine clinical development teams
- Serve as member to NIH and external committees and boards as assigned by CTC chief
- Publish VRC clinical research findings
- Present VRC research findings publically (domestically and internationally)
- Participate as team member, co-chair, or chair of domestic and international protocol/clinical trials teams involving VRC vaccine products
- Mentor junior scientists, including research and clinical fellows

An ideal candidate will have a minimum of six years of experience conducting vaccine clinical trials, have board certification in internal medicine and either infectious diseases or allergy and immunology, have demonstrated successful management skills, have excellent communication skills, be recognized as an expert in vaccine clinical research as evidenced by publications and presentations, and have experience conducting translational vaccine and immunology research. Eligible candidates must meet two or more of the following criteria:

- Recognized international expert in clinical research
- Demonstrated expertise in managing a complex clinical research program
- Exemplary skills in and innovative approaches to the latest technologies
- Evidence of recognition of senior scientific status by peers (e.g., tenure, grant support, awards, other scientific recognition)

Salary is dependent on experience and qualifications.

To apply for the position, interested candidates should email their curriculum vitae, bibliography, and an outline of research interests (no more than two pages) to Thomas Royal, royalet@niaid.nih.gov. In addition, three letters of recommendation must be sent directly from the referees to Dr. Daniel Douek, Chair, NIAID/VRC/CTC Senior Clinician Search Committee, at Douek@nih.gov. Applications will be accepted through January 20, 2012. Interested candidates may contact Dr. Douek for further information.

More information about VRC laboratories is available at www.niaid.nih.gov/about/organization/vrc.

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